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**Re: Administrative Compliance Order
Peñuelas Valley Landfill, LLC./EC Waste, LLC.
Docket Number CWA-02-2017-3103
NPDES Tracking Number PRR053203
Progress Report #1**

Dear Team Leader:

The referenced order requires submittal of a progress report of corrective actions to be completed in order to reduce the total suspended solids in the discharge. Peñuelas Valley Landfill (PVL) has continued with the removal of sediments from the sedimentation pond. Sediment removal from the pond is complete now. Please be cognizant that some of the work may be affected and/or delayed by heavy rains. Dredging of the sedimentation pond and construction of the intermediate berm requires dry weather and absence of significant moisture in the bottom of the pond. Wet conditions could cause safety and equipment problems. Rain since the last report has been 1.19 inches. Once the activities are completed the site will proceed with periodic sampling of the discharge to determine the effectiveness of the measures implemented. The site will provide periodic progress updates as required in the administrative order. Below is a table showing additional activities and proposed completion dates.

| Activity | Proposed completion | Comments |
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| Sedimentation pond dredging | 6-30-2017 | Completed but additional dredging may be done if necessary. |
| Intermediate berm in sedimentation pond | 6-30-2017 | Energy dissipater and flow direction diverter. Constructed in tandem with pond dredging activity. ~80% complete |
| Intermediate sediment trap | 6-30-2017 | Smaller pond to intercept incoming streams and reduce velocity. Pending |
| Rock walls – energy dissipaters | 6-30-2017 | Constructed in tandem with the intermediate sediment trap. ~20% complete. |
| Installation of silt fences | Ongoing and routine | |
| Sampling and analysis of discharge | Weather dependent | It is likely that sampling cannot be performed before the end of August or early September depending on precipitation amounts in the area. There has been some precipitation but no discharges from the sedimentation pond. |

The statement below follows the requirements of the request for information. The questions and requested presented in the request for information are answered in the attached document.

"I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

Should you require additional information please contact Jaime Jaén on 787-391-0074 or René Rodríguez on 787-447-2717.

Cordially,



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